

BIOMECHANICS

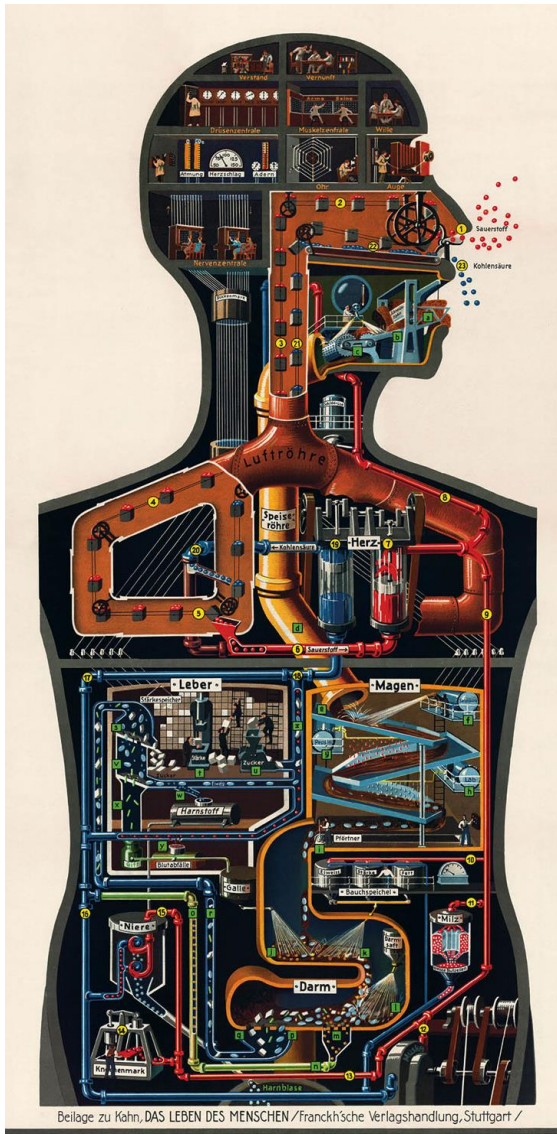
Practical Course Introduction

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Σχολή Μηχανολόγων Μηχανικών ΕΜΠ

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Fritz Kahn (1888 – 1968)

Practical course structure

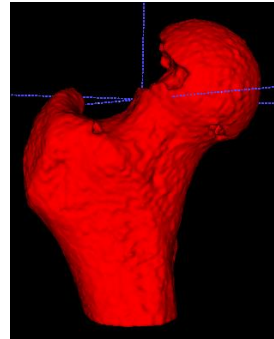


CT data provided



Segmentation/
smoothing

Homework II

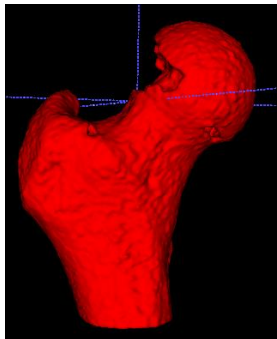


STL model
of femur

Material models (in vitro tests
from literature)

Loading conditions (Forces
acting on the femur head)

P: 70 → 180 kg
Standing and jumping



FEA analysis
in PC lab



Short report
with results
(in groups)

Homework IV

Image Data

Data stored on Dropbox

https://www.dropbox.com/s/o7acwhgv7q8d4v8/Bone_CT_high.tar.gz?dl=0

#1: High resolution CT data ~1.5 GB (somehow there is an error in the end of extraction, but file works fine!)

<https://mrl.sci.utah.edu/software/hip-data/> ➔ more data stored, if there are problems. I downloaded patient 9.

https://www.dropbox.com/s/oujky4lij576liq/Bone_CT_low.nrrd?dl=0

#2: Lower resolution CT data ~130 MB

Should also work. High res data needs some RAM to post-process.

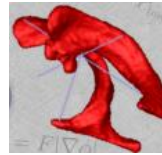
Software – Image Segmentation

Image segmentation (open-source):

You are free to choose. Two suggestions

3dslicer <https://www.slicer.org/>

ITK snap <http://www.itksnap.org/>



There are tutorials and background information on both websites.

Also check out youtube

(3d slicer segmentation, itk snap) ;

here you will find many videos that go beyond the tutorials.

ITK Snap is a bit spartanic, but also not that overloaded. 3D Slicer is used a **lot**, so that might be a good program to have knowledge about.

Software – STL post-processing

After STL export you need to look at your model and post-process it.

Inspecting, smoothing and closing of small holes to retrieve a clean geometry for FE analysis.

Autodesk Meshmixer

<http://www.meshmixer.com/>



MeshLab (rather complicated ?)

<http://www.meshlab.net/>



Also other STL editors possible (SketchUp...). Youtube has again many videos. E.g. Meshmixer smoothing, hole closing etc.

Aims of homework

- Get used to working with imaging data
 - Segment one femur (right or left, but remember which one)
 - Post-process and smooth the STL → Model for FEA
 - Send STL to neidlin@central.ntua.gr via <https://wettransfer.com/>
 - Additional tasks:
 - Look for material models and in vitro tests of cortical bone
 - Look for information on bone loading (70-180kg, stand/jump)
 - A conversion from STL to a CAD format (IGES or STEP) is **highly** beneficial when you want to do FEA. Geometrical irregularities often omit this step. Solidworks or FreeCAD (?)
- You are also **highly encouraged** to come up with an own small research question that could be answered with FEA. Do not make it **too complicated** due to limited time.

Troubleshooting guide

As this is the first time we are doing this, many things can go wrong.

Don't worry if segmentation does not work out (maybe a little bit if you are the only one 😊), we have a plan B.

The learning aim is to get familiar with the process in a **close-to-real-world-scenario** where we provide you with a task and you have to come up with a solution by yourself or in teams.